

March 30, 2009

## SPECIAL SESSION

The Common Council met in Special Session at 6:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Larry Bogan; Judy Whitten; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating this Special Meeting was called to discuss the Sewage Works Revenue Bond Ordinance, and accompanying business. He then turned the meeting over to Attorney Higgins.

Attorney Higgins stated the ordinance passed first reading at their last meeting on March 9, 2009 and it authorizes the funding for the Long Term Control Plan, up to \$17,070,000.00. She reminded Council the new plan the city went with is significantly less than the original plan. She also reminded Council that the work being done by the LTCP is required by IDEM, as well as the EPA. She added this ordinance puts in motion the financing for Phase I building, and design only of Phase II. She stated the Council needs to accept the Bond Ordinance on second reading, for the LTCP, as amended and held by the Clerk-Treasurer.

Councilwoman Hoehn asked the total amount of the debt ?

Attorney Higgins replied that information is in the rate study that was presented at their last meeting. She then asked if there were any questions ?

Councilwoman Hoehn stated she wants to be clear that the work that needs done is being mandated by IDEM as well as the EPA.

Councilman Fuelling moved the Ordinance of the City of Mount Vernon authorizing the issuance of sewage works revenue bonds for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of certain additions, extensions and improvements to the sewage works system of said City, providing for the safeguarding of the interests of the owners of said bonds, other matters connected therewith, including the issuance of notes in anticipation of bonds, and repealing ordinances inconsistent herewith, pass on second reading, as amended, and held by the Clerk-Treasurer. Seconded by Councilwoman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Fuelling moved the rules be suspended. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Fuelling moved the ordinance pass on third reading. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe added it will be numbered 09-06.

Attorney Higgins stated the next item of business also dealing with the LTCP is the Sewer Rate Ordinance, as discussed in the rate study at the last meeting.

Councilwoman Hoehn moved the Ordinance Amending and Restating Rates and Charges for the Use of the Sewer System and Related Services of the City of Mount Vernon pass on first reading. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

Attorney Higgins reminded Council the rates listed in the ordinance on the same rates as the pre rate study. She added that as of today, SRF had not told the city how they will distribute the first round of stimulus money, though they are getting it, they are not sure how it will be distributed. She stated she also assumes there will be a discount on the interest rate, though again, no rate has been set yet. She stated the rates in the ordinance were set based on a preliminary study. She added if this ordinance passes first reading tonight, it will be up for a public hearing at their next meeting April 14, 2009, and the new rates will be in effect for the next billing cycle after adoption. She then stated Mayor Tucker should be commended for his efforts in trying to get this project totally funded by stimulus, he has worked very hard on that.

Mayor Tucker stated not only will this project take care of the city's CSO's, but it will also include manhole rehabilitation and the refurbishing of two lift stations. With that being said, he then requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated as purpose of the Special Meeting has been met, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Curtis moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

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John Tucker  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cristi L. Wolfe  
Clerk-Treasurer